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- (a) (1) A member of a State board or commission shall be suspended without pay from participation in the activities of the board or commission if the member is convicted of or enters a plea of nolo contender to any crime that:
 - (i) is a felony; or
- (ii) is a misdemeanor related to the member's public duties and responsibilities and involves moral turpitude for which the penalty may be incarceration in any penal institution.
- (2) The suspension shall continue during any period of appeal of the conviction.
- (3) If the conviction becomes final, the member shall be removed from the office and the office shall be deemed vacant.
 - (b) If the conviction of the member is reversed or otherwise vacated:
- (1) the member shall be reinstated to the office for the remainder, if any, of the term of office during which the member was so suspended or removed; and
- (2) all pay and benefits shall be restored from the date of the suspension or removal.

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